

# *Executive Proclamation*

## *State of South Dakota Office of the Governor*

*Whereas*, South Dakota was founded with hard work, perseverance, dedication to duty, and concern for others, and each of these attributes can be ascribed to William D. Richardson, who will retire from The University of South Dakota (USD) on June 30, 2017, after serving 19 years of service; and,

*Whereas*, William began his career at USD in July 1998 as Chair of the Department of Political Science, Director of the W.O. Farber Center for Civil Leadership, and the Odeen-Swanson Distinguished Professor of Political Science; and,

*Whereas*, During William's tenure with political science, he has made a difference in the lives of countless students through his advising, advocacy, dedication, and mentoring; and,

*Whereas*, William has been a tireless fundraiser for scholarships to leverage opportunities for previous, current, and future students so that they can become civic leaders and capable professionals; and,

*Whereas*, William has led the Department of Political Science and mentored dozens of faculty and staff in the Department of Political Science during his tenure as Chair; and,

*Whereas*, William has made a great impact in Vermillion, the state, and the country through his leadership in the College of Arts & Sciences, USD, and the state of South Dakota; and,

*Whereas*, It is fitting and proper to honor this outstanding South Dakotan on the occasion of his retirement:

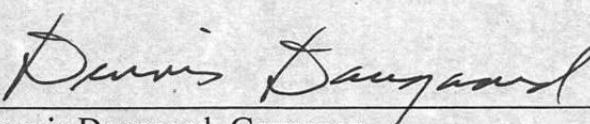
*Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim June 30, 2017, as

## ***WILLIAM D. RICHARDSON DAY***

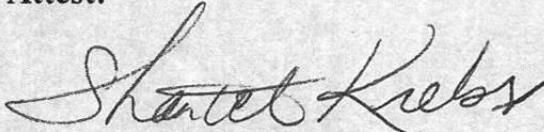
in South Dakota.



*In Witness Whereof*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Tenth Day of April in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Seventeen.

  
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Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

  
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Shantel Krebs, Secretary of State